



Public Employment Relations Board
4th Floor, Carvel State Office Building
820 N. French Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

# NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION ELECTION

Communications Workers of America and DSHS, Capitol Police (Rep. Pet. No. 24-06-1417)

## **PURPOSE OF ELECTION**

AN ELECTION BY SECRET BALLOT WILL BE CONDUCTED, under the supervision of the Public Employment Relations Board, among Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Division of Capitol Police (DHSS/DCP) COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHERS to determine whether those employees desire to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining.

## **ELIGIBLE VOTERS**

ALL FULL-TIME AND REGULAR PART-TIME NON-UNIFORMED

COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHERS EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY, DIVISION OF CAPITOL POLICE

Employees defined as ELIGIBLE VOTERS who did not work during the payroll period because they were ill or on vacation or temporarily laid-off and employees in the military service of the United States are eligible to vote.

### **Secret Ballot Election Procedures**

The election will be by SECRET ballot. Voters will be allowed to vote without interference, restraint or coercion. Electioneering will not be permitted at or near the polling places. Violations of these rules should be reported immediately to the Public Employment Relations Board, or its agent in charge of the election. 19 <u>Del. C.</u> §1311.

An agent of the PERB will hand a ballot to each eligible voter at the polling site. The voter will then mark his/her ballot in secret and fold it. The voter will then personally deposit the folded ballot in a ballot box which is under the supervision of a PERB agent.

# **Authorized Observers**

CWA and DSHS/DCP may each designate one observer and one alternate to observe the polling process during each polling period. The observers shall be persons familiar with the employees normally assigned to the voting location. Observers shall (a) act as checkers at the voting place; (b) assist in the identification of voters; (c) challenge voters and ballots; and (d) otherwise assist the PERB agent.

Each party shall also be permitted to appoint one representative to observe the official counting of the ballots.

# **Challenge of Voters**

The challenge of a voter MUST be made before the voter has deposited his/her ballot in the box.

#### **INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ELECTION**

The results of this election will be determined by the majority of the votes cast. The ballots will be counted immediately following the closing of the polls at the Leonard L. Williams Justice Center at 12:30 PM on Monday, July 29, 2024.

The Public Employment Relations Act provides that only one valid representation election may be held in a twelve (12) month period.

Any employee who desires to obtain further information concerning the terms and conditions under which this election is to be held or who desires to raise any question concerning the holding of an election, the voting unit, or eligibility rules may do so by communicating directly with the Public Employment Relations Board at its offices located at:

Public Employment Relations Board, 4th Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, (302) 577-5070

POLLING TIME & LOCATION  Date: Monday, July 29, 2024		
Time:	8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Location:	Dispatchers Break Room Kent County Courthouse Lower Level Room 034B 414 Federal Street Dover, DE 19901	Dispatchers Break Room Leonard L. Williams Justice Center Annex Level Room 650 500 North King Street Wilmington, DE 19801

### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Absentee ballots may be requested on or before <u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 18, 2024</u> by eligible voters who are unable to cast a ballot in person, due to circumstances beyond their control. Such ballots must be requested directly from PERB by the eligible voter (please call (302) 577-5070), and will be mailed directly to the voter at his/her home OR can be cast prior to July 26, 2024 in the PERB office. <u>Absentee ballots must be received in the PERB office on or before 4:30 PM on Friday</u>, <u>July 26, 2024</u>, in order to be cast in this election.

Sample - OFFICIAL SECRET BALLOT – Sample
Representation Petition 24-06-1417 (CERT)
The purpose of this election is to determine whether Full-Time and Part-Time Non-Uniformed Communications Dispatchers Employed by DSHS/Capitol Police desire to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining, pursuant to 19 <u>Del. C.</u> §1311.
DO YOU WISH TO BE REPRESENTED FOR PURPOSES OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY:
COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA ("CWA")
NO REPRESENTATIVE
Mark only one X on your ballot, inside one square.
Do not sign your name on this ballot.
Fold your ballot and place it in the ballot box.